Country report on animal welfare during long distance transport by land and sea

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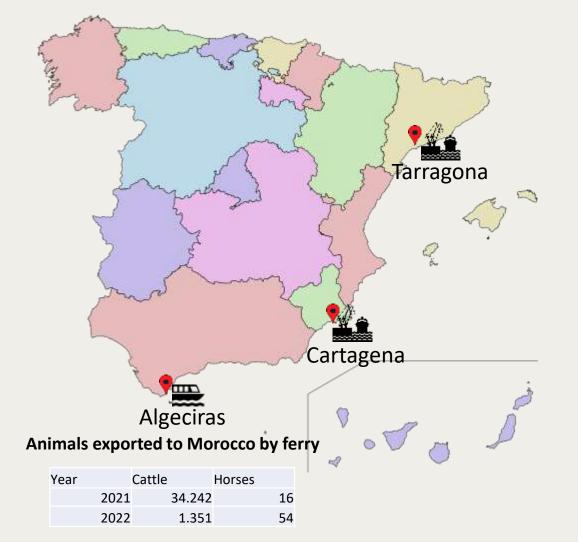
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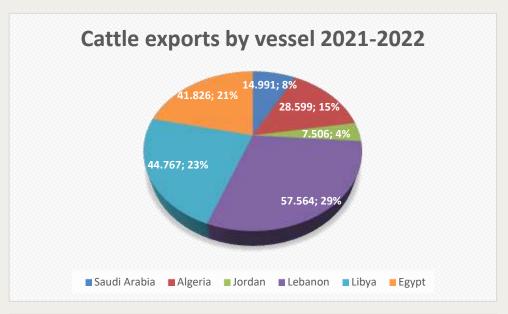
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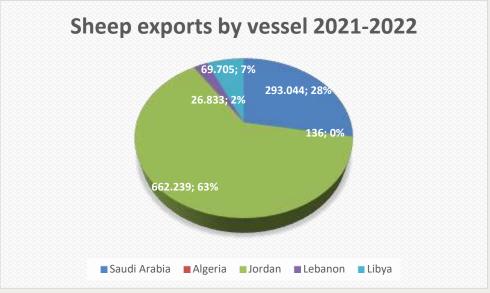




#### Overview of country livestock transport and trade









#### Competent Authority(ies)



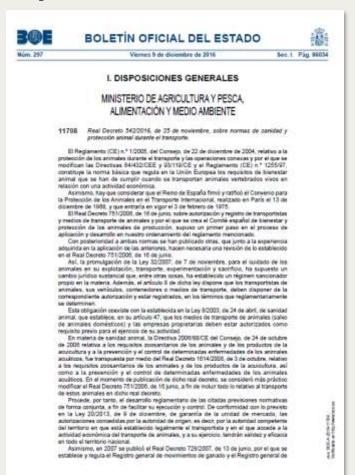
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### National animal welfare standards

Regulation 1/2005 Royal Decree 542/2016







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Detailed responsabilities
 (organiser, keeper, transporter, competent authorities)

PROTOCOLO SOBRE LA PROTECCIÓN

DE LOS ANIMALES DURANTE LA

EXPORTACIÓN EN BUQUES DE

GANADO POR PUERTOS EN ESPAÑA

MESA DE

COORDINACIÓN

EN MATERIA DE

BIENESTAR

 Livestock vessel approval procedure



## National animal welfare standards Fitness for transport

- Animals checked prior to departure to obtain the export certificate. Regional competent authority.
- Animals checked at the port during loading operations. Central competent authority at the port.
  - > Animals that can be treated receive veterinary care.
  - ➤ Animals unfit for transport are emergency slaughtered or killed at port facilities
  - Mothers and their offspring are transported to a close holding





#### **Fitness for transport**











Implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the

standards

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Updating of protocols and legislation



#### Cross-border transport of animals

- Requirements of Regulation 1/2005. Integrated journey log
- Animal health certificates according to the requirement of the country of destination
- No countries request an import permit except Morocco and Lybia.
- We request information of the situation of animals on arrival through the journey log but we hardly ever receive this information and always from the operator.



#### Conclusions

Spain is in compliance with WOAH standard regarding animal welfare during sea transport but there is room for improvements:

- Difficulties in assessing the training of the crew
- Contingency plans of vessel transporters: too general.
- Problems to verify some technical aspects of the vessels by vets during the preloading inspection
- Good control of the journey from the place of origin to the port but little information of the sea journey. No animals reports after arrival to destination.

We would like to improve communication between competent authorities

# Thank you

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